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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2006, having a shortened period for response set to expire on July 16, 2006, applicants elect the species of Group I (Figs. 2 and 3), and at least claims 1-4 readable thereon. Applicants reserve the right to further prosecute without prejudice the non-elected species of Groups II (Fig. 5) and III (Fig. 6), and the claims readable thereon.

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